



while you were out--



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MOOD: 😊 i can has shoggoth!

MUSIC: Please tell me that isn't Mr. Wojchowski's bed creaking I hear.
Lie if you have to.

Came home to a package sticker on my mailbox, and stopped off at the landlady's apartment on my way upstairs to find out what the Snail had brought me.

My shoggoth came! I have fed it and petted it and named it Elmer, and put it to bed in a nice ceramic bowl on the kitchen table. And now I must go shower and make myself pretty for dinner with Hafidha, though I know better than to try to compete....

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congratulations on the new arrival.

Elmer? srsly?



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Well, it kind of looks like glue...

What else would you name a shoggoth?



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I'm British - for me, Elmer will always be a patchwork elephant.

I think Bewdley would be a nice name. Especially if it sprawls.



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I don't know of your Elmer. Or Bewdley.

We suffer clashing cultural referents.



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Elmer

Bewdley is a small town in Worcestershire - doesn't have any significance for shoggoths, but I once knew somebody with a cat called Bewdley. He was not a small cat and had the knack of spreading over an entire couch in an almost liquid fashion.

I've always thought it was a good name for a pet. Especially a useful one.

But it's your shoggoth. You can call it Neville if you want. Or Phyllis.



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In the US, Elmer's is a kind of white sticky paper glue. So it seems appropriate.



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Ahh, that explains a lot. I was thinking Fudd.

Have fun with Elmer. Any particular plans for him?



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Well, he came with a recipe. I thought I'd try that first.

Ooops. Gotta run!

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When I was in high school, Drama Club, we had a plastic plant that had a featured role in every production. (When we did Brave New World, we tinfoiled his leaves for an appropriately futuristic look.)

He appeared in the programs, too.

As Phil O'Dendron.

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He was an Irish Moss.



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am technologically incompetent. [another aloysius](#)

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Somehow this reminds me of the Irish colleague who said that this year he's voting for the Irish presidential candidate: O'Bama.

I'm *fairly* sure he was joking.



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Well, actually.


<http://www.rte.ie/news/2007/0315/obamab.html>

Images of the documents here:

<http://blogs.ancestry.com/circle/?p=1346>

His three-times great grandfather was a potato famine refugee.

...that was me being unnecessarily pedantic again, wasn't it? But now you can tell your coworker that Sen. O'Bama is actually a Kearney. On the maternal side.

 nebula99

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There is indeed a Y sound, so the "bew" bit is as in "mews".

Elmer looks great. So far, the practical jokes seem actually fairly tame. He covered himself in grey berry juice so that he blended in with all the other elephants. And then shouted "Boo!" in a very loud voice. It had them in hysterics for several pages. That's the sort of level of tomfoolery elephants seem to enjoy.

Phyllis would indeed be a good plant name. I haven't named many of mine (they don't always survive . . .) apart from one that looks a bit palm-like and is called, obviously, Brian.



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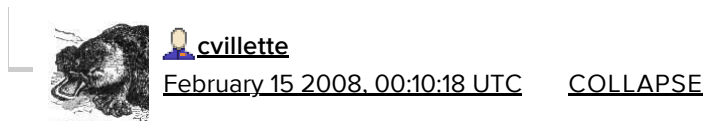
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Happy Shoggoth day!

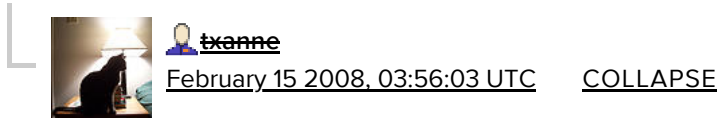
And let us know how the recipe turns out? I'm quite tempted.



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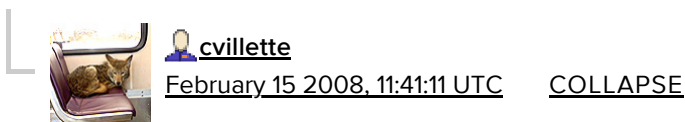
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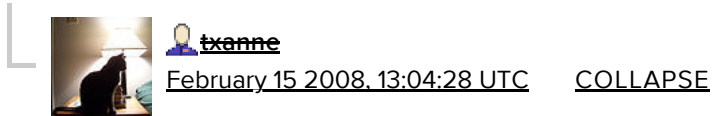


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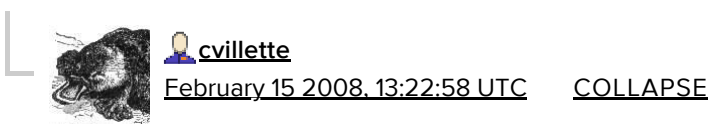
...have you ever seen *Slither*?



Never?

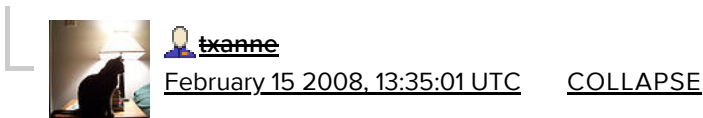


It's a very silly, very good horror flick, in which the Ebil Crittur keeps saying "MEAT. Meat. Meeeat. MEEEEAT."

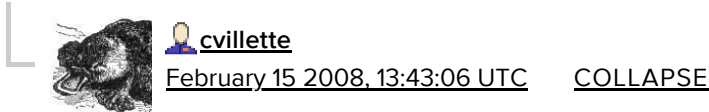


He'd fit right in around here.

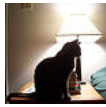
Especially if he also likes pasta. And frijoles negros. And fried plantains....



Nope, just meat.



How sad for him!



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Sadder for the ambulatory meat he absorbs. You know, cats, townspeople....



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See? If somebody had just had the sense to bring him a nice big pot of frijoles negros, this tragedy could have been averted.

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